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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of: Michael A. Centanni et al.

Application No.: 10/663,593

Group No.: 1744 Confirmation No.: 3283

Filed: September 16, 2003

Examiner: Elizabeth L. McKane

For: SENSOR FOR DETERMINING CONCENTRATION OF FLUID STERILANT

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Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is a **RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY** for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\***

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Date: August 15, 2006

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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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				RATE		ADDIT. FEE		
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INDEP.	2	— 9	= 0	x \$ 200.00	=	\$ 0.00		
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	=	\$ 0.00		
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No additional fee for claims is required.

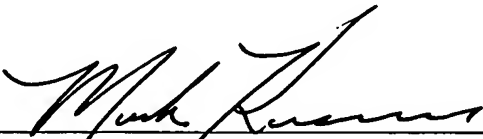
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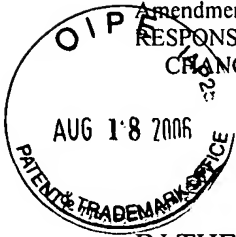
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Signature of Practitioner  
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Application No. 10/663,593  
Amendment dated August 15, 2006  
RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING  
CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY dated August 9, 2006



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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Dear Sir:

On August 14, 2006, the undersigned received the attached *Notice Regarding Change of Power of Attorney*. The undersigned Attorney hereby objects to the change of Power of Attorney on the grounds that the Power of Attorney form recently filed by Case Western Reserve University is based upon invalid assignments.

The undersigned Attorney was granted the original Power of Attorney to prosecute the present application by all four (4) inventors in September 2003. A COMBINED DECLARATION / POWER OF ATTORNEY is of record in the present application.

A Power of Attorney was recently filed on behalf of Case Western Reserve University. Case Western Reserve University has no standing to seek revocation or change to the original Power of Attorney. The executed statement under 37 C.F.R. Section 3.73(b), filed on behalf of

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Case Western Reserve University, claims a chain of title from only two (2) of the four (4) inventors of the present application. The assignments from Chung-Chiun Liu and Jinsong Yu to Case Western Reserve University are invalid in view of prior assignments of the present invention by these inventors to **STERIS Inc.** (See **Reel 014894, Frame 0722** of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the *Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document* is attached).

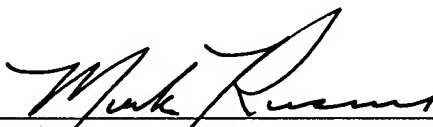
All right, title and interest to the present application were assigned by all four (4) inventors to STERIS Inc. in September 2003. Accordingly, any subsequent assignment by two (2) of the inventors to another entity is invalid, and cannot be used as a basis for revoking the prior Power of Attorney to the undersigned Attorney. Only STERIS Inc., the owner of all rights to the present invention and application, can effect a change in the Power of Attorney.

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that any change from the original Power of Attorney in the present application be revoked, and all future communications regarding this application be forwarded to the undersigned at the address listed in the original Declaration/Power of Attorney form.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 15, 2006

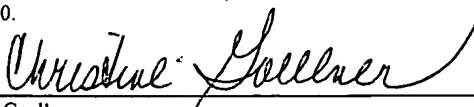
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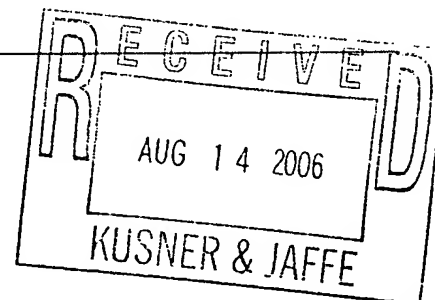
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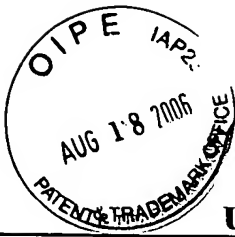
This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 07/27/2006.

- The Power of Attorney to you in this application has been revoked by the assignee who has intervened as provided by 37 CFR 3.71. Future correspondence will be mailed to the new address of record(37 CFR 1.33).

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DOC DATE: 09/17/2003

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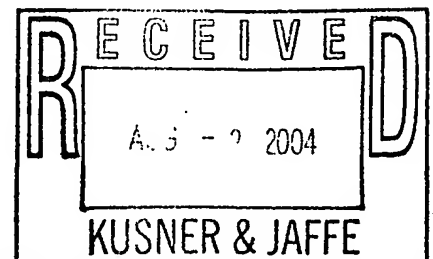
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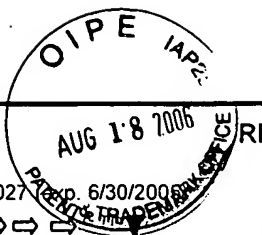
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## 1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Michael A. Centanni  
Chung-Chiun Liu  
Dong Zhao

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## 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: STERIS Inc.

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 43425 Business Park DriveCity: Temecula State: California Zip: 92590Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☒ Yes ☐ No

## 3. Nature of conveyance:

- ☒ Assignment ☐ Merger  
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name  
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Execution Date: September 17, 2003Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

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10/663,593

B. Patent No.(s)

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## 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Mark KusnerInternal Address: KUSNER & JAFFEHighland Place - Suite 310Street Address: 6151 Wilson Mills RoadCity: Highland Heights State: OH Zip: 441436. Total number of applications and patents involved: 17. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00☒ Enclosed Form PTO-2038☐ Authorized to be charged to deposit account

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*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*Mark Kusner, Reg. No. 31,115

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For: U.S. Application  
By: Inventors

**ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION**

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

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**ASSIGNEE:**

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and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries, including all rights to claim priority, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

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and which is found in (37 C.F.R. Section 3.21) U.S. Application Serial No. **10/663,593**, filed on **September 16, 2003** and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to letters patent any reissue or re-examination thereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set hand and seal on the date(s) set forth below.

Date: 9/17, 2003



Signature of Michael A. Centanni

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

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